

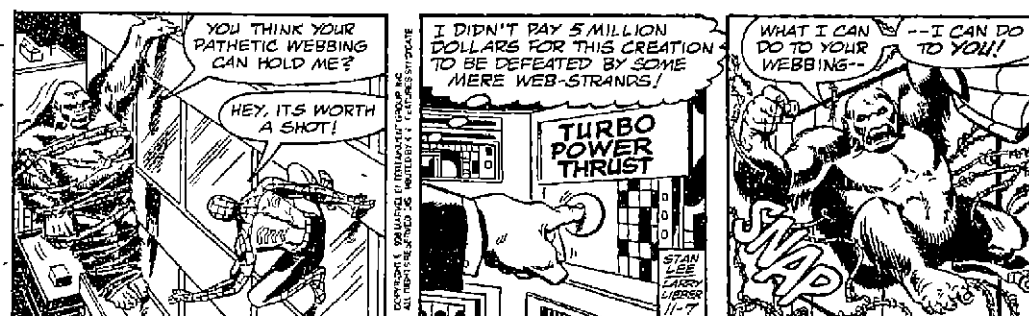
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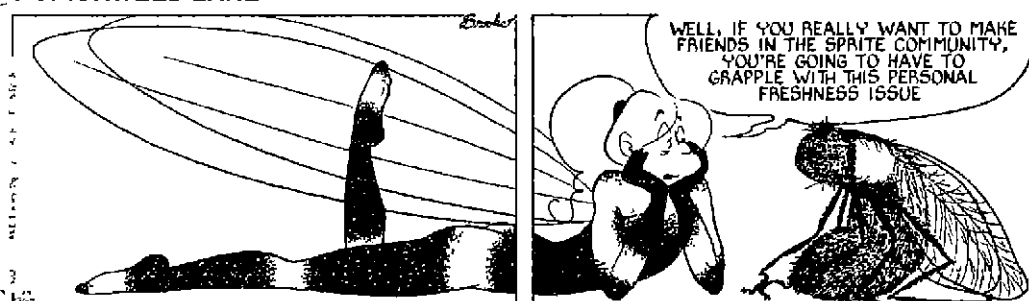
SALLY FORTH



THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN



9 CHICKWEED LANE



ANDY CAPP



ROSE IS ROSE



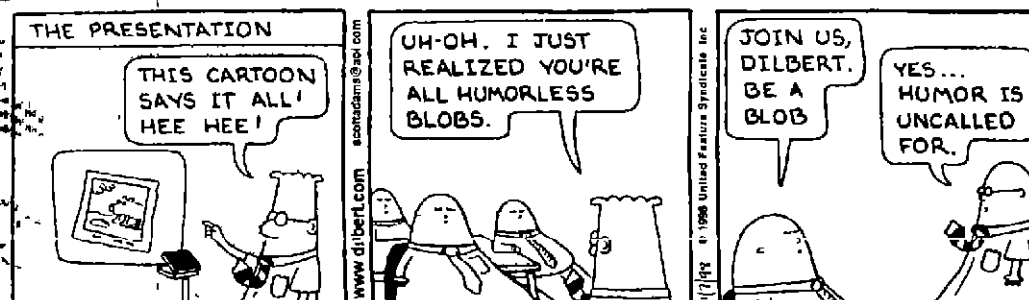
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MOTHER GOOSE AND GRIMM



DILBERT



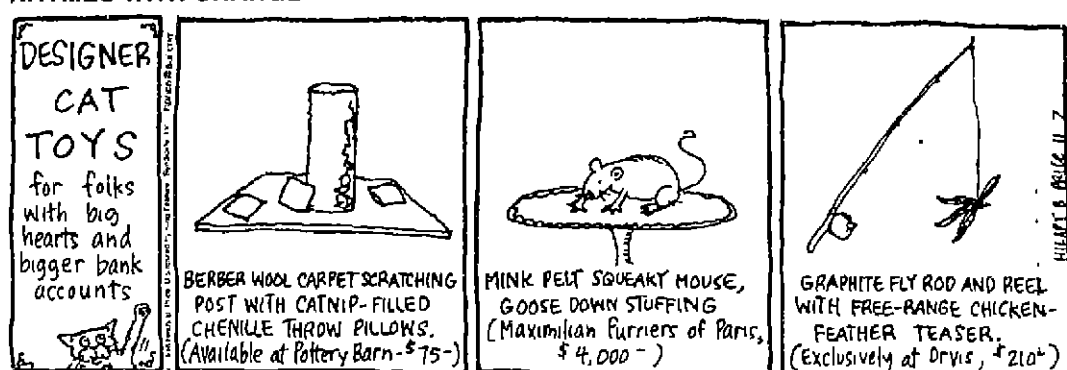
DENNIS THE MENACE



FAMILY CIRCUS



RHYMES WITH ORANGE



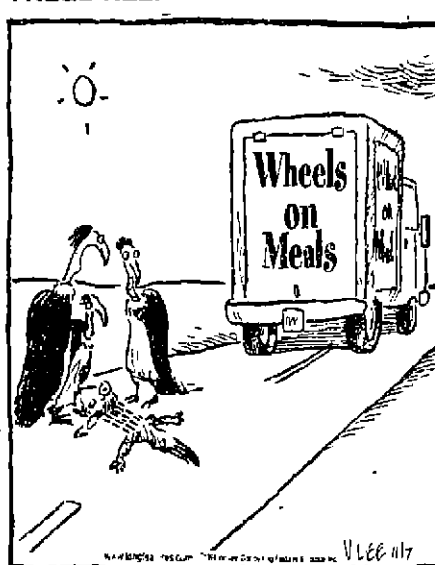
RALPH



Today's Birthdays

Evangelist Billy Graham is 80 Jazz musician Al Hirt is 76 Opera singer Dame Joan Sutherland is 72. Singer Mary Travers is 61. Actor Barry Newman is 60. Singer Johnny Rivers is 56 Singer-songwriter Joni Mitchell is 55 Singer Nick Gilder is 47 Actor Christopher Knight ("The Brady Bunch") is 41 Actress Dana Plato is 34 Actors Jeremy ("Party of Five") and Jason London are 26.

I NEED HELP



SCRABBLE

PAR SCORE 110-120 by JUDD

FOUR RACK TOTAL TIME LIMIT: 20 MIN

DIRECTIONS: Make a 2 to 7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word using scoring directions at right. 7-letter words get 50-point bonus. "Blank" used as any letter have no point value. All Judd's words are in The Official Scrabble Players Dictionary (Merrill-Webster) and OSW Official Scrabble Words (Chambers). JUDD'S SOLUTION TOMORROW 11-7-98 © 1998 United Feature Syndicate, Inc.

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WORD SLEUTH

Things with a face

T Z W T Q N J G D A X U R O L
J G D Y A X V R E S P N K I F
C A X V E S Q U O L J H E C S
A X V T P N T S R P N L J H T
F D B Y Y A O H X V T E S S I
R P M K T O N M K M L K L T A
I G E S S N I O C P D B A E R
Z X W U I A T R O R R I M K T
R Q O N L R M E L M J I I C R
G F D C A Y P H C T A W N O O
X W V S D R A C G N I Y A L P

Friday's unlisted clue LAROE

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

Saturday's unlisted clue hunt PORTABLE CLOCK

Animals Mask People Rushmore
Clock Mirror Playing cards Statue
Coins Money Portraits Type
Lockets Moon Prism

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HOROSCOPE

For Sunday, Nov. 8, 1998

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Emotional currents run swiftly and are dangerously high at this time.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You feel financially secure, well-loved and totally in command of your personal life.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Family members might show you your own limitations. They mean to bring you back in touch with reality.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Although you didn't plan to be in the spotlight, there is no reason you can't enjoy it.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) If you wonder why people seem to be responding strangely to you, take a look at your behavior.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) Concentrate on friends and family you might need to catch up on things.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Let other people attend to their own affairs, you need to focus on yourself.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Total strangers become your allies, and acquaintances become friends.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) You like to move at an extremely quick pace, but right now you need to rest.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) It is not possible to contain your volatile emotions totally, but it is possible to manage them.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) Be civil and conciliatory toward others even though you might be seething inwardly.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to March 20) Enjoy an emotional high and share it with anyone who appreciates your euphoria.

ACES ON BRIDGE

By Bobby Wolff

A declarer who examines his slam in a straightforward way will probably see a club finesse as his only option. However, the declarer who looks further

than a simple finesse will earn the right to his slam bonus. The player who attacks at full speed wins dummy's diamond ace and takes a club finesse. It loses to West's king, and the slam goes a quick one down. East must score his trump ace, and a cold slam suffers an unnecessary defeat. How should South play to make the slam? He must learn to make dummy the master hand instead of his own (dummy reversal). At trick two he cashes dummy's other high diamond, discarding a club, and ruffs a diamond with his trump king. Next he leads a trump to dummy's eight. If East ducks, South ruffs dummy's last diamond and leads his last trump. East wins and leads a club, but South doesn't need a finesse. He wins his ace and leads a spade to dummy's jack to draw the trumps. South enjoys two club discards on dummy's trumps, leaving him with no losers other than the trump ace. Most declarers habitually make their own hand the master hand. Sometimes, reversing the process will produce an extra trick, one that might be vital to a successful result.

NORTH 11-07 A
 ♠ K J 7
 ♥ Q 10 9 8
 ♦ A K 5 2
 ♣ 6 2

WEST 9-5 3 2
 ♠ 4
 ♥ Q J 10 8
 ♦ K 10 8 4

EAST 5-4
 ♠ A 5 3 2
 ♥ A 7 5 4
 ♦ 9 7 5 4
 ♣ 3

SOUTH 10-6
 ♠ A Q 10 6
 ♥ K J 7 6
 ♦ 3
 ♣ A Q J 5

Vulnerable Both Dealer North

The bidding
 North East South West
 1 ♠ Pass 1 ♥ Pass
 2 ♥ Pass 2 ♠ Pass
 4 ♥ Pass 4 NT Pass
 5 ♠ Pass 6 ♠ All pass

Opening lead: Diamond queen

N.Y. TIMES CROSSWORD

No. 0926

ACROSS

- 1 Annual P G A Tour event
 10 Hosiery material
 15 Long hours
 16 Beeweed, e.g.
 17 One who goes for the gold?
 18 City in northeast Texas
 19 Like cornrows
 20 Some teas
 21 Raccoon
 24 Irritates
 26 Cold developments
 32 — in on (moved toward)
 33 Yellow belly
 34 New York and — Railroad, started in 1832

DOWN

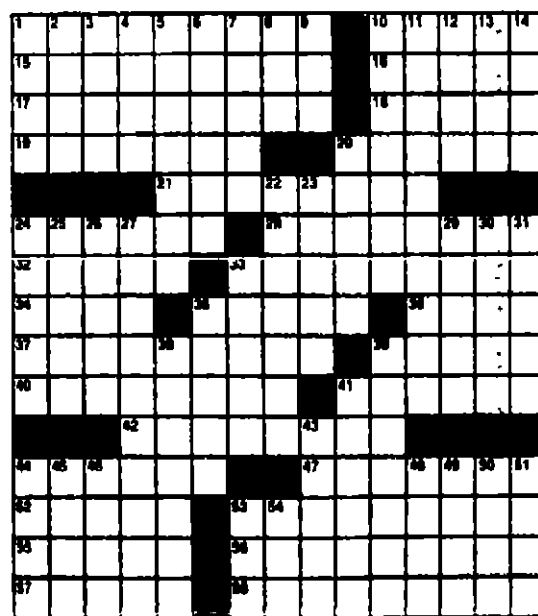
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 12 Extinguish
 13 Manco Capac, e.g.
 14 RC Cola brand
 15 Marked for inclusion
 16 Tediously stupid persons, in slang
 17 "Love Me Do" vis-à-vis "P.S. I Love You"
 18 Musical notes
 19 Certain phone no.
 20 Deer herding area
 21 Lake Superior attraction
 22 Cartoonist Drake
 23 Have an interest in
 24 Piccadilly Circus statue
 25 Obscure
 26 Legman's list
 27 Antichrist, in Revelation, with "the"
 28 Has a plug
 29 Dike, Eunomia and Irene
 30 Miss by —
 31 Is mildly embarrassed
 32 Rugby formation

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

APED BAGGAGE CAR
 NERO AQUAMARINE
 TAOS TATTOOISTS
 ETTE BEEN STAT
 UBI SHANDY ERE
 POCONO ACRED
 GADABOUT VANS
 IRONSIDES
 RIDE TOWNETS
 SORTS AUDENS
 ESE SLUDGE SOP
 WASH LOMI NICO
 ALIENATING ICON
 PIGEONTOED JANG
 HANDSTANDS KNEE

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Filled by Jerry Ferguson

- 30 Wonderland phrase
 31 Knight mare?
 32 Ace
 33 Handle roughly
 34 Pushovers
 35 Certain motivator
 36 Nadia Botulanger's "La"
 37 "The Dolly Sisters" co-star
 38 Petticoat junction?
 39 Coptic bishop's title
 40 Hardly a side-liner
 41 1979 revolution site
 42 Loudness unit
 43 Nautical advert
 44 Dull finish?
 45 Xmas sounds
 46 V-mail address

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